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SUBJECT: SOVIET ARMS SHIPMENT TO CHAD

REF: (A) NDJAMENA 3473 (B) DOUALA 499

1. A USUALLY RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTED THAT THE CONVOY
CONTAINING SOVIET ARMS AND AMMUNITION DESTINED FOR CHAD
MENTIONED REFS WHICH LEFT DOUALA IN LATE NOVEMBER CONSISTED
OF THE FOLLOWING CONVOY FROM NGAOUNDERE TO KOUSSERI: 60
TRUCKS TRANSPORTING AMMUNITION; 18 TRUCKS CARRYING MISSILE
LAUNCHING PLATFORMS (PLANCHETTES DE MISSILES); 18 CANNONS;
13 MORTARS; 23 MACHINEGUNS; 2 REFRIGERATOR TRUCKS; 3 TANK
(FOR LIQUIDS) TRUCKS; 1 AMBULANCE; TWO LAND-ROVERS; TWO
MOTORCYCLES; ONE WRECKING TRUCK. CONVOY ACCOMPANIED BY FOUR
CHADIAN, FIVE SOVIET MILITARY OFFICERS AND THE CHADIAN AMBASSADOR
TO CAMEROON DR. HELENA TCHIOUNA.

2. COL. LAMORT, FRENCH ARMED FORCES ATTACHE, ON OTHER HAND
MAINTAINS THERE WERE 20 PAC'S AND 42 TRUCKS, QUANTITIES OF
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OTHER WEAPONS AND UP TO 2,000 TONS MUNITIONS. HE CLAIMED THERE
MAY BE TWO SMALLER SHIPMENTS DESTINED FOR CHAD ARRIVING
DOUALA IN JANUARY.

3. COMMENT: WHILE ALL SOURCES DIFFER IN DETAILS, IT
OBVIOUS SHIPMENT SUBSTANTIAL.

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